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O you who have believed, fear Allah and be with those who are true. (9/119)

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Introduction

The tongue, the language and the mind etc... are great gifts of Allah(SWT-Subhana Wa Ta'laa). These gifts that Allah has given to man makes him superior to all other creatures: "The Most Gracious Allah has taught the Quran; He has created man; He has taught him speech." (Ar-Rahman 55/1-4). Islam has explained how people can derive benefit from Allah's blessings of "decency in conversation".

Great men always take care in all conditions that no extra and useless word comes out of their mouth, and they do not adopt an attitude of pride and foolishness with every person.

A vain talker, on account of the weak co-ordination between his thought and his tongue, blurts out whatever comes on his tongue. Sometimes he says something which places him in danger, and he ruins his future. People who are never tired of talking are not few in number. If you examine their talks you will find that most of these consist of senseless, absurd and trash things. Allah(SWT) has not given men their tongues for this purpose, nor these capabilities were given for such a purpose. Infact, it is observed one loses sense in talking absurdities and aimless gossip.

Islam has given special attention to speech, its style, its etiquette and rules, because the talk that comes out from a man's mouth discloses his intellectual level and moral nature, because the etiquette of speech in a group reveals its general standard, and shows the standard of decency in their environment.

Truthful, clean and decent conversation impresses both friends and foes, and its sweet fruits can be readily enjoyed. It guards love between friends. It strengthens their friendship and makes it durable and defeats all the tricks of the devil.

"Say (O Prophet!) to my slaves to speak which is kindlier. Verily, the devil sows discord among them. Verily, the devil is for man an open enemy."(Surah Bani Israil 17/53)

- Concerning the present topic to guard the tongue some forbidden acts are (a) Don't sit in a gathering where Allah's Ayaat verses of Quran are ridiculed (mocked or laughed at)(Al-Nisa 4/140)
- (b) Allah commands avoid false statement, (Surah Al-Hajj 22/30)
- (c) Evil should not be noised abroad in public speech (An-Nissa 4/148)
- (d) "Don't repel your parents but speak to them a noble word. (Surah Al-Isra-17/23)
- (e) "Do not abuse the dead" (Bukhari 8/523)
- (f) Don't sell goods by false oath. (Muslim Book 1/0192)
- (g) "Abusing a Muslim is Fusuq (i.e., an evil doing), and killing him is Kufr (disbelief).(Bukhari 8/70)
- (h) Don't accuse chaste women (Bukhari)
- (i) Do not obey every worthless scornor, going about with malicious gossip (Surah Al-Qalam 68/12)
- (j) Great is hatred in the sight of Allah that you say what you do not do. (Surah Ass-Saff 61/2-3)
- (k) Don't abuse the Dahr (Time) (Bukhari 8/200)

I pray almighty Allah to pardon me, my parents, my children, my wife, all my relatives and who ever has ever done a favour to us, particularly in preparing Islamic books, all shaikhs, prominent scholars, thinkers and writers of books.. Ya Allah grant all of us

highest paradise Jana't Al-Firdous with مُحَمَّدٌ رَّسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ

رَبِّ أَوْزَعْنِي أَنْ أَشْكُرَ نِعْمَتَكَ الَّتِي أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيَّ وَعَلَىٰ وَالِدَيَّ وَأَنْ أَعْمَلَ صَالِحًا تَرْضَاهُ وَأَصْلِحْ لِي فِي دِينِي دُنْيَايَ وَآخِرَتِي وَتُبْ إِلَيْكَ يَا رَبِّ الْمُسْلِمِينَ رَبَّنَا تَقَبَّلْ مِنَّا إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ رَبَّنَا وَاجْعَلْنَا مُسْلِمِينَ لَكَ وَمِنْ دُرِّيَّتَا أُمَّةً مُّسْلِمَةً لَّكَ ۖ وَإِنَّا مِنَّا مَنَاسِكُنَا وَتُبْ عَلَيْنَا ۖ

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I seek refuge in Allah who Hears and knows everything from the accursed satan from his inspiration to do bad, from his blows, and from his secret spitting of

venom or magic بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

(٧) مَا يَلْفُظُ مِنْ قَوْلٍ إِلَّا لَدَيْهِ رَقِيبٌ عَتِيدٌ (٥٠/١٨ ق)

"Not a word is said except that there is a guard (close observer) by him ready to record it." - [Soorah Qaf (50):18]

(٧) يَوْمَ تَشْهَدُ عَلَيْهِمْ أَلْسِنُهُمْ وَأَيْدِيهِمْ وَأَرْجُلُهُمْ بِمَا كَانُوا يَعْمَلُونَ

On a Day when their tongues, their hands and their feet (٢٤/٢٤ النور) will bear witness against them as to what they used to do. (24/24)

(1) Accompany the truthful

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَكُونُوا مَعَ الصَّادِقِينَ (٩/١١٩ التوبة)

O you who believe, fear Allah and be with those who are true. (9/119)

(2) Allah's Blessing is in sale and purchase

deal if both parties adopt truthfulness

Narrated Hakim bin Hizam(RA) The Prophet(pbh) said, "The buyer and the seller have the option to cancel or to confirm the deal, as long as they have not parted or till they part, and if they spoke the truth and told each other the defects of the things, then blessings would be in their deal, and if they hid something and told lies, the blessing of the deal would be lost." (Bukhari 3/296 also 3/29

(3) Truthfulness leads to Paradise And a person tell lies he is written before Allah(SWT), a liar-

Narrated `Abdullah(RA): The Prophet(pbh) said, "Truthfulness leads to righteousness, and righteousness leads to Paradise. And a man keeps on telling the truth until he becomes a truthful person. Falsehood leads to Al-Fujur (الْفُجُورُ)(i.e. wickedness, evil-doing), and Al-Fujur (wickedness) leads to the (Hell) Fire, and a man may keep on telling lies till he is written before Allah(SWT), a liar."

(Bukhari 8/116; Muslim Virtue and Good Manners Book 32/6306)

(4) Allah will be pleased with truthful people

قَالَ اللَّهُ هَذَا يَوْمُ يَنْفَعُ الصَّالِقِينَ صِلَتُهُمْ ۖ لَهُمْ جَنَّاتٌ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أَبَدًا ۖ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ وَرَضُوا عَنْهُ ۖ ذَلِكَ الْفَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ (٥/١١٩ الْمَائِدَةِ)

Allah (The Most Merciful) will say, "This is the Day when the truthful will benefit from their truthfulness." For them are gardens [in Paradise] beneath which rivers flow, wherein they will abide forever, Allah(SWT) being pleased with them, and they with Him. That is the great attainment (Surah Al-Ma'idah 5/119)

(5) Which muslim is better

Narrated `Abdullah bin `Amr(RA): The Prophet(pbh) said, "A Muslim is the one who avoids harming Muslims with his tongue and hands. And a Muhajir (emigrant) is the one who gives up (abandons) all what Allah has forbidden." (Bukhari 1.10 Muslim Bk 1.0065)

Narrated Abu Musa: Some people asked Allah's Apostle, "Whose Islam is the best? i.e. (Who is a very good Muslim)?" He replied, "One who avoids harming the Muslims with his tongue and hands."

(Bukhari 1.10)

(6) Prophet(pbh) said I guarantee Paradise for

Narrated Sahl bin Sa'd: Allah's Apostle (pbh) said, "Whoever can guarantee (the chastity of) what is between his two jaw-bones and what is between his two legs (i.e. his tongue and his private parts), I guarantee Paradise for him." (Bukhari 8/481)

(7) How could a man get salvation (save from evil) ?

Uqbah met Allah's messenger (peace be upon him) and asked him wherein salvation consisted. He replied, "Control your tongue, keep to your house, and weep over your sin." (Ahmad and Tirmidhi 4837)

(8) The adultery of the eyes is the sight, to gaze (a long fixed look) at a forbidden thing

Narrated Ibn `Abbas(RA): I have not seen a thing resembling 'lamam' (minor sins) than what Abu Huraira (RA) 'narrated from the Prophet(pbh) who said "Allah has written for Adam's son his share of adultery which he commits inevitably. The adultery of the eyes is the sight (to gaze at a forbidden thing), the adultery of the tongue is the talk, and the inner self wishes and desires and the private parts testify all this or deny it." (Bukhari 8/260)

(9) Every morning parts of human body humble before the tongue and say we are dependent on you-

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said that when a man gets up in the morning, all the limbs humble themselves before the tongue and say, "Fear Allah(SWT) for our sake, for we are dependent on you; if you are straight we are straight, but if you are crooked we are crooked (bent, receive punishment)"(Tirmidhi 4838)

(10) Keep silent or tell good thing (Safety lies in Silence)-

Narrated Abu Huraira (RA): The Prophet(pbh) said,

"Whoever believes in Allah and the Last Day, should not hurt his neighbor and whoever believes in Allah and the Last Day, should serve his guest generously and whoever believes in Allah and the Last Day, should talk what is good or keep quiet." (Bukhari 8/158)

(11) Save yourself from hell fire by some charity

Narrated `Adi bin Hatim(RA) The Prophet (pbh) mentioned the (Hell) Fire and sought refuge (with Allah(SWT)) from it, and turned his face to the other side. He mentioned the (Hell) Fire again and took refuge (with Allah) from it and turned his face to the other side. (Shu`ba, the sub-narrator, said, "I have no doubt that the Prophet (pbh) repeated it twice.") The Prophet (pbh) then said, "(O people!) Save yourselves from the (Hell) Fire even if with one half of a date fruit (given in charity), and if this is not available, then (save yourselves) by saying a good pleasant friendly word." (Bukhari 8/52)

(12) Prophet (pbh) was not harsh

We were sitting with `Abdullah bin `Amr(RA) who was narrating to us (Hadith): He said, "Allah's Apostle was neither a Fahish nor a Mutafahhish, and he used to say, 'The best among you are the best in character (having good manners).'" (Bukhari 8/61)

(13) Breaking deliberate oath expiation

(compensation) - Feed 10 people or fast 3 days

Allah will not impose blame upon you for what is meaningless (what is sworn to only out of habit of speech or what one utters carelessly without true intent) in your oaths, but He will impose blame upon you for [breaking] what you intended of oaths. So its expiation (that for a deliberate oath) is the feeding of ten needy people from the average of that which you feed your [own] families or clothing them or the freeing of a slave. But whoever cannot find [or afford it] -

then a fast of three days [is required]. That is the expiation for oaths when you have sworn. But guard your oaths (do not take oaths indiscriminately or swear to do that which is sinful, requiring expiation). Thus does Allah(SWT) make clear to you His verses [i.e., revealed law] that you may be grateful. (Surah Al-Ma'idah 5/89) **(13a)** Narrated `Aisha(RA) This Verse: "Allah(SWT) will not punish you for what is unintentional in your oaths." verse (5.89) was revealed about a man's statement (during his talk), "No, by Allah," and "Yes, by Allah." (Bukhari 6/137)

(١٣/ب) إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَشْتَرُونَ بِعَهْدِ اللَّهِ وَأَيْمَانِهِمْ ثَمَنًا قَلِيلًا أُولَٰئِكَ لَا خَلَاقَ لَهُمْ فِي الْآخِرَةِ وَلَا يُكَلِّمُهُمُ اللَّهُ وَلَا يَنْظُرُ إِلَيْهِمْ يَوْمَ الْقِيَمَةِ وَلَا يُزَكِّيهِمْ وَلَهُمْ عَذَابٌ أَلِيمٌ (٣٧/٣٢ آلِ عِمْرَانَ)

Indeed, those who exchange the covenant of Allah(SWT) and their [own] oaths for a small price will have no share in the Hereafter, and Allah(SWT) will not speak to them or look at them on the Day of Resurrection, nor will He purify them; and they will have a painful punishment (Surah Al-Imran3/77)

(14) Those who say to their wives, by calling as mother (Zihar) penalty is to free a slave or fast 2 months continuously or feed 60 people

قَدْ سَمِعَ اللَّهُ قَوْلَ الَّتِي تُحَدِّثُكَ فِي زَوْجِهَا وَتَشْتَكِي إِلَى اللَّهِ ۖ وَاللَّهُ يَسْمَعُ تَحَاوُرَكُمَا ۖ إِنَّ اللَّهَ سَمِيعٌ بَصِيرٌ ۚ الَّذِينَ يُظَاهِرُونَ مِنْكُم مِّن نِّسَائِهِمْ مَا هُنَّ أُمَّهَاتُهُمْ ۖ إِنَّ أُمَّهَاتُهُمْ إِلَّا الَّتِي وَلَدْنَهُمْ ۚ وَإِنَّهُمْ لَيَقُولُونَ مُنْكَرًا مِّنَ الْقَوْلِ وَزُورًا ۚ وَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَعَفُوفٌ غَفُورٌ ۚ وَالَّذِينَ يُظَاهِرُونَ مِن نِّسَائِهِمْ ثُمَّ يَعُودُونَ لِمَا قَالُوا فَتَحْرِيرُ رَقَبَةٍ مِّن قَبْلِ أَنْ

يَتِمَّاسًا ط ذَلِكَمُ تُوَعِّظُونَ بِهِ ط وَاللَّهُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ خَبِيرٌ • فَمَنْ لَّمْ
يَجِدْ فَصِيَامَ شَهْرَيْنِ مُتَتَابِعَيْنِ مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ يَتِمَّاسًا ط فَمَنْ لَّمْ يَسْتَطِعْ
فَإِطْعَامُ سِتِّينَ مِسْكِينًا ط ذَلِكَ لِتُؤْمِنُوا بِاللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ ط وَتِلْكَ حُدُودُ اللَّهِ
ط وَلِلْكَافِرِينَ عَذَابٌ أَلِيمٌ • (٤-١/٥٨ الْمُحَادَّة)

Allah has indeed heard (and accepted) the statement of the woman who pleads with you concerning her husband and carries her complaint (in prayer) to Allah: and Allah (always) hears the arguments between both sides among you: for Allah hears and sees (all things). If any men among you divorce their wives by Zihar (calling them mothers) they cannot be their mothers: none can be their mothers except those who gave them birth. And in fact they used words (both) iniquitous and false: but truly Allah is one that blots out (sins) and forgives (again and again). But those who divorce their wives by Zihar then wish to go back on the words they uttered (it is ordained that such a one) should free a slave before they touch each other: that is an admonition to you, and Allah is well-acquainted with (all) that you do. And he who finds not (money for freeing a slave) he should fast for two months consecutively before they touch each other. But if any is unable to do so he should feed sixty indigent ones. This that is in order that you may have a perfect faith in Allah and His Apostle. Those are limits (set by) Allah. For those who Reject (Him) there is a grievous Penalty (Surah Al-Mujadila 58/1-4)

(15) A wrong word uttered by tongue the person may slip into hell fire

Narrated Abu Huraira (RA): That he heard Allah's Apostle saying, "A slave of Allah may utter a word without thinking whether it is right or wrong, he may slip down in the Fire as far away a distance equal to that between the east." (and the west) (Bukhari 8/484; Muslim) 12

(15a) Which is among the dangerous acts that displeases Allah(SWT)?

Narrated Abu Huraira(RA): The Prophet (pbh); said, "A slave (of Allah) may utter a word which pleases Allah without giving it much importance, and because of that Allah will raise him to degrees (of reward): a slave (of Allah(SWT)) may utter a word (carelessly) which displeases Allah(SWT) without thinking of its gravity and because of that he will be thrown into the Hell- Fire."(Bukhari 8/485)

(16) Prohibition to abuse any person

Narrated `Abdullah(RA): Allah's Apostle said, "Abusing a Muslim is Fusuq (i.e.an evil doing) and killing him is Kufr (disbelief)(Bukhari 8/70)

(17) Forbidden acts (ان الله حرم عليكم كثرة السؤال)

Narrated Al-Mughira: The prophet(pbh) said, "Allah has forbidden you(1) to be undutiful to your mothers (2) to withhold (what you should give) or (3) demand (what you do not deserve)and(4) to bury your daughters alive. And Allah has disliked that (A) you talk too much about others (B), ask too many questions (in religion), or (C) waste your property"(Bukhari 8/6 Muslim Kitab Al-Aqdiyya Bk 18/4255)

(18) Avoid 7 great destructive SINS

Narrated Abu Huraira(RA): The prophet(pbh) said, "Avoid the seven great destructive sins." They(the people!) asked, "O Allah's Apostle! What are they?" He said, "(1) To join partners in worship with Allah; (2) to practice sorcery (black magic) (3) to kill the life which Allah has forbidden except for a just cause (according to Islamic law); (4) to eat up usury (Riba, interest)(5) to eat up the property of an orphan;(6)to give one's back to the enemy and freeing from the battle-field at the time of fighting and (7) to accuse chaste women who never even think of anything touching chastity and are good believers." (Bukhari 8/840)

(19) Don't abuse the Dahr (Time)

Narrated Abu Huraira (RA): Allah's Apostle said, "Allah(SWT) said, "The offspring of Adam abuses the Dahr (Time), and I am the Dahr; in My Hands are the night and the day." (Bukhari 8/200)

(20) Don't abuse the dead

Narrated `Aisha(RA): The prophet(pbh) said, "Do not abuse the dead, for they have reached the result of what they have done." (Bukhari 8/523)

(21) Don't repel your parents, speak humbly

And your Lord has decreed that you worship none but Him, and be dutiful to your parents. Whether one or both of them reach old age [while] with you, say not to them a word of disrespect "uff," and do not repel them but speak to them a noble word. (Al-Isra-17/23)

(22) Why do you say what you don't do?

(22a) O you who have believed, why do you say what you do not do? Great is hatred in the sight of Allah that you say what you do not do. (Surah Ass-Saff 61/2-3)

(22b) Do you order righteousness to the people and forget yourselves while you recite the Scripture? Then will you not reason? (Surah Al-Baqara 2/44)

(23) Who tells lies? {{ Answer, (1) Kafir, (2) Hypocrite (Munafiq), (3) indebted person (one who owes money), (4) Seller}}

Narrated `Aisha(RA): Allah's Apostle used to invoke Allah in the prayer saying, **اَللّٰهُمَّ اِنِّیْ اَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنَ الْمَآْثِمِ وَالْمَغْرَمِ**

"O Allah, I seek refuge with you from all sins, and from being in debt." Someone said, O Allah's Apostle! (I see you) very often you seek refuge with Allah(SWT) from being in debt. He replied, "If a person is in debt, he tells lies when he speaks, and breaks his promises when he promises." (Bukhari 3/582 ; Muslim 1/412) **14**

(24) 4 habits of pure Hypocrites (Munafiq)

Narrated `Abdullah bin `Amr(RA): Allah's Apostle said, "Whoever has (the following) four characteristics will be a pure hypocrite: "If he speaks, he tells a lie; if he gives a promise, he breaks it, if he makes a covenant he proves treacherous; and if he quarrels, he behaves in a very imprudent evil insulting manner (unjust). And whoever has one of these characteristics, has one characteristic of a hypocrite, unless he gives it up." (Bukhari 4/403) In Bukhari Hadith# 1/33 is written > Whenever he is entrusted, he betrays (Bukhari 1/33)

(25) Allah(SWT) testifies "Hypocrites are liars"

وَاللَّهُ يَشْهَدُ إِنَّ الْمُنَافِقِينَ كَذِبُونَ (٦٣/١) الْمُنَافِقُونَ

When the hypocrites come to you, [O Muhammad], they say, "We testify that you are the Messenger of Allah." And Allah knows that you are His Messenger, and Allah testifies that the hypocrites are liars. (Surah Al-Munafiqun 63/1)

(26) Fasting person should not tell lies

Narrated Abu Huraira (RA): The prophet(pbh) said, "Whoever does not give up false statements (i.e. telling lies), and evil deeds, and speaking bad words to others, Allah(SWT) is not in need of his (fasting) leaving his food and drink." (Bukhari 8/83)

(27) Allah commands avoid false statements

فَاجْتَنِبُوا الرِّجْسَ مِنَ الْأَوْثَانِ وَاجْتَنِبُوا قَوْلَ الزُّورِ (٢٢ / ٣٠) الْحَجَّ

That [has been commanded], and whoever honors the sacred ordinances of Allah(SWT) - it is best for him in the sight of his Lord. And permitted to you are the grazing livestock, except what is recited to you. So avoid the uncleanness of idols and avoid false statement, (Surah Al-Hajj 22/30) 15

(28) Woe (highest hardship) on every liar

Woe (highest affliction, highest hardship) to every sinful liar (Surah Al-Jathiya 45/7)

(29) On which person the devils descend?

هَلْ أُنَبِّئُكُمْ عَلَىٰ مَنْ تَنَزَّلُ الشَّيَاطِينُ ۖ تَنَزَّلُ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ أَفَّاكٍ أَثِيمٍ (الشُّعَرَاءِ) ٢٦
Shall I inform you upon whom the devils descend?
They descend upon every sinful liar. (A'sh-Shuara'a 26/220-221)

(30) Allah(SWT) does not guide liars

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَهْدِي مَنْ هُوَ مُسْرِفٌ كَذَّابٌ (٢٨ / ٤٠ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ)
Indeed, Allah(SWT) does not guide one who is a transgressor and a liar. (Al-Mumin 40/28)

(31) Allah(SWT) says don't testify falsehood

وَالَّذِينَ لَا يَشْهَدُونَ الزُّورَ ۖ وَإِذَا مَرُّوا بِاللَّغْوِ مَرُّوا كِرَامًا (٢٥ / ٢٢) (الْفُرْقَان)
And [they are] those who do not testify to falsehood, and when they pass near ill speech, they pass by with dignity. (Al-Furqan 25/72)

(32) Whoever fabricates a lie about Allah is unjust and he goes to hell

(الف/٣٢) وَمَنْ أَظْلَمُ مِمَّنِ افْتَرَىٰ عَلَى اللَّهِ كَذِبًا أَوْ كَذَّبَ بِالْحَقِّ لَمَّا جَاءَهُ
مَالِيسَ فِي جَهَنَّمَ مَثْوًى لِّلْكَافِرِينَ (٦٨ / ٢٩) (الْعَنَكَبُوت)

(32a) And who is more unjust than one who invents a lie about Allah or denies the truth when it has come to him? Is there not in Hell a [sufficient] residence for the disbelievers? (Al-Ankabut 29/68)

(32b) So who is more unjust than he who invents a lie about Allah(SWT) or denies His signs? Indeed, the criminals will not succeed.(Surah Yunus 10/17)

**(33) Whoever tells a lie against Prophet(pbh)
he occupies a place in hell fire.**

Narrated Anas (RA): The fact which stops me from narrating a great number of Hadiths to you is that the prophet(pbh) said: "Whoever tells a lie against me intentionally, then (surely) let him occupy his seat in Hell-fire." (Bukhari 1/108)

**(34) The cheeks of liar will be torn away (from
mouth to the ear) till the day of Resurrection**

Narrated Samura bin Jundub(RA): The prophet(pbh) said, "I saw (in a dream), two men came to me." Then the prophet(pbh) narrated the story (saying), "They said, 'The person, the one whose cheek you saw being torn away (from the mouth to the ear) was a liar and used to tell lies and the people would report those lies on his authority till they spread all over the world. So he will be punished like that till the Day of Resurrection.'" (Bukhari 8/118)

(35) Beware of suspicions, don't be jealous

(35a) Narrated Abu Huraira (RA): Allah's Apostle said, "Beware of suspicion, for suspicion is the worst of false tales. and do not look for the others' faults, and do not do spying on one another, and do not practice Najsh (لَا تَنَاجَشُوا وَلَا تَحَاسَدُوا) (Najsh means a person doesn't want to buy a thing but to dupe or cheat other person increases the price), and do not be jealous of one another and do not hate one another, and do not desert (stop talking to) one another. And O, Allah's worshipers! Be brothers!" (Bukhari 8/92)

(35b) Narrated Abu Huraira (RA): The prophet(pbh) said, "The worst people in the Sight of Allah(SWT) on the Day of Resurrection will be the double faced people who appear to some people with one face and to other people with another face." (Bukhari 8/84) **17**

(36) What is backbiting and slander?

Abu Huraira (RA) reported Allah's Messenger (may peace be upon him) as saying: Do you know what is backbiting? They (the Companions) said: Allah and His Messenger know best. Thereupon he (the Holy prophet(pbh)) said: Backbiting implies your talking about your brother in a manner which he does not like. It was said to him: What is your opinion about this that if I actually find (that failing) in my brother which I made a mention of? He said: If (that failing) is actually found (in him) what you assert, you in fact backbited him, and if that is not in him it is a slander.(Muslim Bk 32 Good Manners 6265)

(37) 3 persons Allah will not speak on the Day of

Resurrection- The Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) observed: Three are the (persons) with whom Allah would neither speak on the Day of Resurrection, nor would look at them nor would pardon them, and there is a painful punishment for them. The Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) repeated it three times. AbuDharr(RA) remarked: They failed and they lost; who are these persons, Messenger of Allah? Upon this he (the prophet(pbh)) observed: They are (1)the dragger of lower garment (below the knees), (2) the recounter of obligation (make reminders of favour), (3) the seller of goods by false oath. (Muslim Book 1/0192)

(38) Backbiting and slandering are major sins

(٣٨.١) فَلَا تُطْعِ الْمُكَذِّبِينَ . وَذُؤُوا لَوْ تَذَهْنُ فَيَذَهُنَّ . وَلَا تُطْعِ كُلَّ
خَلَافٍ مُّؤْمِنٍ ، هَمَّازٍ مُّشَاءٍ بِنَمِيمٍ ، مَنَاعٍ لِلْخَيْرِ مُعْتَدٍ أَيْتِمٍ ،

Then do not obey the deniers (9). They wish (٦٨/٨ — ١٢) اَلْقَلَمُ
that you would soften [in your position], so they would soften
[toward you](10). And do not obey every worthless habitual swearer
(11). [And] scorner, going about with malicious gossip (12).

A preventer of good, transgressing and sinful, (Al-Qalam 68/8-12)

(38.2) وَيْلٌ لِّكُلِّ هُمَزَةٍ لُّمَزَةٍ (۱۰۴/۱) (لُّمَزَةٌ (back biting

Woe to every (kind of) scandal-monger and backbiter (104/1)

(38.3) يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اجْتَنِبُوا كَثِيرًا مِّنَ الظَّنِّ ۖ إِنَّ بَعْضَ الظَّنِّ إِثْمٌ وَلَا

تَحْسَبُوا وَلَا يَغْتَبَ بَعضُكُمْ بَعضًا ۚ أَيُّحِبُّ أَحَدُكُمْ أَن يَأْكُلَ لَحْمَ أَخِيهِ

مَيْتًا فَكَرِهْتُمُوهُ ۚ وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ تَوَّابٌ رَّحِيمٌ (۴۹/۱۲) (الْحُجْرَتِ)

O ye who believe! avoid suspicion as much (as possible): for suspicion in some cases is a sin: and spy not on each other nor speak ill of each other behind their backs. Would any of you like to eat the flesh of his dead brother? Nay ye would abhor it...but fear Allah: for Allah is Oft-Returning Most Merciful.(49/12)

(38.4) Once the prophet(pbh) went through the graveyards of Medina and heard the voices of two humans who were being tortured in their graves. The prophet(pbh) said, "They are being punished, but they are not being punished because of a major sin, yet their sins are great. One of them used not to save himself from (being soiled with) the urine, and the other used to go about with calumnies backbiting (Namima)." Then the prophet(pbh) asked for a green palm tree leaf and split it into two pieces and placed one piece on each grave, saying, "I hope that their punishment may be decreased as long as these pieces of the leaf are not dried."

(Bukhari 8/81)

(39) Whoever slanders pious woman is cursed

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَرْمُونَ الْمُحْصَنَاتِ الْغَافِلَاتِ الْمُؤْمِنَاتِ لُعِنُوا فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ ۚ

وَلَهُمْ عَذَابٌ عَظِيمٌ (۲۴/۲۳) (النُّور)

Those who slander chaste women indiscreet (injustice) but believing are cursed in this life and in the Hereafter: for them is a grievous Penalty (Al-Noor 24/23)

(40) Nammam (نَمَامٌ) will not enter paradise

Hudhaifa (RA) reported, I heard the prophet(pbh) saying, "A Nammam will not enter Paradise." (scorner, going about with malicious gossip) {Nammam -The person who goes about with calumnies (slander, or defamation} " (Bukhari8/82) لَا يَدْخُلُ الْجَنَّةَ نَمَّامٌ

(41) Punishment who accuse / charge a pious woman for adultery

وَالَّذِينَ يَرْمُونَ الْمُحْصَنَاتِ ثُمَّ لَمْ يَأْتُوا بِأَرْبَعَةِ شُهَدَاءَ فَاجْلِدُوهُمْ ثَمَانِينَ جَلْدَةً وَلَا تَقْبَلُوا لَهُمْ شَهَادَةً أَبَدًا ۚ وَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْفَاسِقُونَ ۖ إِلَّا الَّذِينَ تَابُوا مِنْ بَعْدِ ذَلِكَ وَأَصْلَحُوا ۚ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ (٥-٤ / ٢٤ التَّوْر)

And those who launch a charge against chaste women and produce not four witnesses (to support their allegation) flog them with eighty stripes: and reject their evidence ever after: for such men are wicked transgressors. Unless they repent thereafter and mend (their conduct): for Allah is Oft-Forgiving Most Merciful. (Al-Noor 24/4-5)

(42) Slander or false accusation is obvious sin

وَمَنْ يَكْسِبْ خَطِيئَةً أَوْ إِثْمًا ثُمَّ يَرْمِ بِهِ بَرِيئًا فَقَدِ احْتَمَلَ بُهْتَانًا وَإِثْمًا مُبِينًا (١١٢/٤ النِّسَاء)

But if anyone earns a fault or a sin and throws it on to one that is innocent He carries (on himself) (both) a falsehood and an obvious or open sin. (Al-Nisa 4/112)

(43) Those who Annoy believing men & women

وَالَّذِينَ يُؤْذُونَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ بَغَيْرِ مَا اكْتَسَبُوا فَقَدِ احْتَمَلُوا بُهْتَانًا وَإِثْمًا مُبِينًا ۖ (٥٨/٣٣ الْأَحْزَاب)

And those who annoy believing men and women undeservedly bear (on themselves) a calumny and a glaring sin. (Al-Ahzab33/58)

(44) Believers turnaway from vain worthless talk (Avoidance of Nonsense is a real Success)

(٤٤.١) وَإِذَا سَمِعُوا اللَّغْوَ أَعْرَضُوا عَنْهُ وَقَالُوا لَنَا أَعْمَالُنَا وَلَكُمْ أَعْمَالُكُمْ سَلَامٌ عَلَيْكُمْ لَا نَبْتَغِي الْجَاهِلِينَ (٢٨/٥٥) الْقَصَصِ

And when they hear vain (worthless or useless) talk they turn away there from and say: "To us our deeds and to you yours; peace be to you: we seek not the ignorant." (A-Qasas 128/55)

(٤٤.٢) قَدْ أَفْلَحَ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ ۝ الَّذِينَ هُمْ فِي صَلَاتِهِمْ خَاشِعُونَ ۝ وَالَّذِينَ هُمْ عَنِ اللَّغْوِ مُعْرِضُونَ (٢٣/١-٢) الْمُؤْمِنُونَ

The Believers must (eventually) win through. Those who humble themselves in their prayers; Who avoid vain talk; (23/1-2)

(44.3)The Answer to the Uneducated is Silence

(٤٤.٣) وَعِبَادُ الرَّحْمَنِ الَّذِينَ يَمْشُونَ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ هَوْنًا وَإِذَا خَاطَبَهُمُ الْجَاهِلُونَ قَالُوا سَلَامًا (٢٥/٦٣) الْفُرْقَانِ

And the servants of (Allah) Most Gracious are those who walk on the earth in humility and when the ignorant address them they say "Peace!" (25/63)

(45) Don't sit in a gathering where Allah's Ayaat verses of Quran are ridiculed (mocked or laughed at)

(١) وَقَدْ نَزَّلَ عَلَيْكُمْ فِي الْكِتَابِ أَنْ إِذَا سَمِعْتُمْ آيَاتَ اللَّهِ يُكْفَرُ بِهَا وَيُسْتَهْزَأُ بِهَا فَلَا تَقْعُدُوا مَعَهُمْ حَتَّى يَخُوضُوا فِي حَدِيثٍ غَيْرِهِ ۚ إِنَّكُمْ إِذَا مَثَلْتُمْ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ جَامِعُ الْمُنَافِقِينَ وَالْكَافِرِينَ فِي جَهَنَّمَ جَمِيعًا

Already has He sent you word in the Book that when (٤/١٤٠) الْنِسَاءِ you hear the signs of Allah(SWT) held in defiance and ridicule you

are not to sit with them unless they turn to a different theme: if you did, you would be like them. For Allah(SWT) will collect the Hypocrites and those who defy faith all in hell.(Al-Nisa 4/140)

(٢) وَإِذَا رَأَيْتَ الَّذِينَ يَخُوضُونَ فِي الْآيَاتِ فَأَعْرِضْ عَنْهُمْ حَتَّى يَخُوضُوا فِي حَدِيثٍ غَيْرِهِ ۚ وَإِمَّا يُنسِيَنَّكَ الشَّيْطَانُ فَلَا تَقْعُدْ بَعْدَ الذِّكْرِى مَعَ الْقَوْمِ الظَّالِمِينَ (٦/٦٨) (الأنعام)

When you see those men engaged in false conversation about Our Signs (verses of Quran) turn away from them unless they turn to a different theme (topic). If Satan ever makes you forget then after recollection don't sit in the company of the Zalimeen (oppressors, polytheists & wrongdoers).(6/68)

(46) Etiquettes of Conversation-

Allah(swt)has commanded us to adopt decent and serious manners of speaking when we may discuss matters with the followers of other religions. It should not have intensity nor heat and anger.

“ And argue not with the People of the Book unless it be in a (away) that is better, (with good words and good manner, inviting them to islamic monotheism with His verses).” (Al-Ankabut.29/46)

(47) Allah(SWT) does not like, " Evil should be loudly spoken in Public -“

Allah(SWT) does not like that evil should be noised abroad in public speech, except where injustice has been done; for Allah(SWT) is He Who hears and knows all things. " (An-Nissa 4/148)

(48) Who is most hatred person in the sight of Allah(SWT)

The prophet(pbh) said, "The most hated person in the sight of Allah(SWT) is the most quarrelsome person." (Bukhari 3/634)

Conclusion:

(1) If all the men of the world count their efforts which they make in indulging in vain conversation and acts, they will come to realize that a very large part of the long winding tales and stories, widely circulated news, narratives, speeches and broadcasts comprises of vain, meaningless and useless things, which are eagerly watched, and heard, but no benefit is derived from them. Islam has expressed its disapproval of the meaningless talks and things, because the superficial and useless things have no value in its eyes.

(2) Islam dislikes that man should not busy himself in matters for which he has been created and instead he should waste his life in involving himself in other irrelevant matters. The more distant a Muslim will be from an absurd and irrelevant thing, the more it is good for him.

(3) It is said that the more one talks, the more one commits mistakes

(4) "The good deed and the evil deed are not alike. Repel the evil deed with one which is better, then surely, he, between whom and you there was enmity(will become) as though he was a bosom (beloved) friend."(Ha-Meem-Sajda 41/34)

(4) "Kind words and the covering of faults are better than charity followed by injury. Allah(SWT) is free of all wants and he is Most Forbearing." (Baqarah 2/263)

(5) Decent conversation is such a habit that it is counted among the virtues and good attributes, and one who adopts this habit becomes worthy of pleasing Allah(SWT).

(6) Give exclusive attention and respect to the person you are talking to. Listening intently with eager attention naturally pleases someone.